be entirely borne by Government and the raiyats exempted from payment of the same.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 321.

Abolition of the *supari* cess.

Messrs. H. Krishna Rao, Koppa Taluk and H. Krishna Sastri, Krishnarajpete Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—*Supari* cess that is now being collected for maintaining the *koleroga* department may be abolished as its experimental stage is over.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao said that a wholesale levy of the supari cess from supari garden owners was not justifiable on the ground that there were other similar diseases prevalent in the State and under investigation in the departments concerned, for which no special levy was ordered, and more so with regard to maidan supari garden owners where the *koleroga* was not prevalent.

Mr. Krishna Rao represented that the *koleroga* ought to be investigated in the same way as all other pests and that it was not fair that there should be a separate levy from supari garden owners only.

Other members also spoke to the effect that the separate levy of supari cess ought to be discontinued and that the levy of one anna per rupee of kandayam was also not equitable as some portion of the lands which remained banjar had also to bear a share of the burden.

Reply of Government.—The owners of supari gardens who were formerly paying about 5½ lakhs are now paying only about Rs. 75,000 which they should not grudge and it is not possible to abolish the cess now.

SUBJECT No. 322.

(*a*) Assessment on new lands under the Cauvery Reservoir.

(*b*) Compensation for lands acquired under the Reservoir.

Messrs. Lingegowda, Varadhamanaiya, Mysore Taluk, Chennappa, Yedatore Taluk and C. Narasimhaiya, Heggaddevankote Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) New lands under the Cauvery Reservoir, may, in the first instance, be taxed at dry rates for a period of three years instead of for one year as at present.

(*b*) The present procedure in the matter of paying compensation for lands acquired as well as for the loss of the crop may be equitably changed.

Reply of Government.—(*a*) Wet rates will be levied only from the year in which wet crop is first raised.

(*b*) A written representation as to details may be sent to the Deputy Commissioner by the members.

SUBJECT No. 323.

Repairs to minor tanks.

Mr. Pattanarasaiya, Bangalore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The old system of raiyats contributing for earth work and the Government doing stone work and the rest in the matter of the repairs for minor tanks may be revived as the system now introduced of raiyats paying one-third of the cost irrespective of the nature of the work is a hardship to the raiyats.

Reply of Government.—The question cannot be reopened.